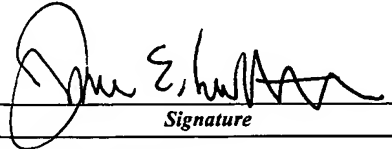


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Applicant(s): Koji IMURA, et al.					
Application No. 10/070,388	Filing Date March 6, 2002	Examiner R. J. Lee	Customer No. 52989	Group Art Unit 2613	Confirmation No. 2899
Invention: <b>IMAGE CODING APPARATUS AND IMAGE CODING METHOD</b>					
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Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection dated January 11, 2006,  
please amend the above-captioned application as follows: